

Pirate Party of the Czech Republic

Continuous activity to success

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History

- ▶ Founded in 2009
- ▶ Continuous growth in preferences
- ▶ 4.78% in European Parliament elections (2014) - but 5% needed by law
- ▶ first seats gained in local elections (2014)
- ▶ supported independent senators together with greens

Organization

- ▶ separate legislative, executive and judiciary branches
- ▶ spokespeople for individual policy sections
- ▶ general forum comprised of all members
- ▶ organisation units on geographical basis
- ▶ transparent accounting
- ▶ transparent online forum

- ▶ direct democracy
- ▶ freedom of speech
- ▶ freedom of information
- ▶ privacy
- ▶ legalisation
- ▶ equality
- ▶ transparency
- ▶ e-government
- ▶ free culture
- ▶ internet

Policy comparison - PP-AT

Activities

- ▶ founding member of PPI, international conference with Amelia Andresdotter in 2010, PPI GA in 2012
- ▶ helped Berlin Pirates with campaign in 2011 (campaign turned into 15 MBPs), helped German Pirates in 2013, German Pirates helped us with campaign in 2013 as well
- ▶ helped Croatian pirates with campaign in 2013
- ▶ PP3 meeting in Saxony 2013
- ▶ PirateLeaks, leak of copyright reform drafts, leak of internet censorship bill draft
- ▶ ACTA protests in 2012
- ▶ TTIP and CETA protests in 2014
- ▶ VyOseni music festival since 2011
- ▶ Free movie festival, 2013
- ▶ "link is not a crime" long-term campaign
- ▶ presence at various venues related to our policies, press releases related to current issues
- ▶ participative budgeting

Local elections 2014 - results summary

- ▶ Marienbad 5 mandates, majority with 21%
- ▶ Prague 4 Pirates at city council (5,31%) + 7 Pirates & 5 supporters in districts
- ▶ Brno 2 Pirates 11,88% (coalition - Žít Brno movement)
- ▶ Majetín 1 Pirate
- ▶ Prostějov 1 Pirate (coalition)
- ▶ Šumperk 1 independent (coalition)
- ▶ Stříbro 1 Pirate
- ▶ Trutnov 1 Pirate
- ▶ Liberec 2 independent

- ▶ 5 mandates, majority with 21%
- ▶ vast policy, clearly commenting on local issues
- ▶ trustworthy candidates with long-term activity record
- ▶ PR newspaper distributed to every mailbox in the city
- ▶ main policies presented in articles
- ▶ posters with slogans
- ▶ website pirati.ml, social network activity
- ▶ local VyOseni, underground art community
- ▶ incapability of other politicians in the city
- ▶ history of success: 2012 - 5,50%, 2013 - 5,85%, 2014 - 8,50%

- ▶ 4 Pirates at city council + 7 Pirates & 5 supporters in districts
- ▶ leader, known as information freedom activist
- ▶ PR newspaper distributed around busy underground stations
- ▶ PR happenings
- ▶ history of success
- ▶ budget, regular meetings, started right after EP elections
- ▶ big effort of many volunteers and candidates
- ▶ policy focused on local issues
- ▶ logo

- ▶ Žít Brno movement
- ▶ 11,88%, 2 pirates
- ▶ first recesistic movement criticizing local mayor
- ▶ when got FB page blocked, wider group of local activists formed
- ▶ young green liberal hipsters who want better city
- ▶ representatives of several citizen's initiatives and Pirate party

- ▶ election system allows "preferential votes"
- ▶ often happened that in coalitions Pirate candidates were "outvoted" on lower positions
- ▶ better poll attendance of coalition partners voters etc.

General policy for communal elections

- ▶ Vast document covering all sort of issues
- ▶ Transformed into local policies reflexing local issues
- ▶ Economy - transparent, balanced, effective
- ▶ Participation - open access, support active citizens
- ▶ Public service for citizens - traffic infrastructure
- ▶ Modern technology - dealing with state, free formats, internet access
- ▶ Investitions into education and culture
- ▶ Available health and social services
- ▶ Environment protection

After elections - presidium's general strategy

- ▶ Piratecon - improve qualification
- ▶ how to be a good representative
- ▶ how to introduce free software and OpenData
- ▶ how to assign work to officers
- ▶ YOU'RE WELCOME TO VISIT

Summary - how to score